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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1868.

日九十月九年辰戌治同

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALGER, 11, Clement's Lane,
Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO.,
4 Old Jewry, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & Gorou, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San
Francisco.

CHINA.—Swanson, Brown & Co. Amoy,
Giles & Co. Foochow, Thompson &
Co. Shanghai, H. Pogo & Co. Mo-
nica, O. Kubota & Co.

Arrivals.

Nov. 3, Taunton, Brit. ship, 687 Tons, Hartslepool, June 26, 930 tons Coal. GIL-
MAN & Co.

Departures.

No. 3, H. B. M. S. Salamis, for Singapore.
3, H. I. M. S. Porpoise, for North.
3, Teao, for Shanghai.
3, Enem, for Bombay, &c.

Shipping Reports.

The British ship *Taunton*, from Hartlepool, reported fine weather; crossed the Equator on 12th August; in long. 27° W.; passed the Meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 3rd, in lat. 41° S.; made Java Head on 2nd Oct.; passed Amper on same day. Up China sea had fine weather until 29th Oct., when had strong gales from N.E. to N.W. until arrival in port. 127 days out. She spoke the following vessels on the passage:—Oct. 5th, British barque *Pinel*, off Gaer Pei Island, fr. London to Hongkong, 107 days out; Oct. 11th Amer. ship *Surprise*, from New York for Hongkong, off the great Katuna, 78 days out; October 29th, British barque *Mesma*, on the Maclesfield Bank, steering to the S.W.

New Advertisements.

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122. ENDERS for Contracts for the supply
of the articles included in the under-
mentioned Scheduled to the Government
Civil and Look Hospitals, for the space of
one year commencing on the 26th of
October, 1868, will be received at this Office
until Noon of the 1st of December, 1868.

SCHEDULE I.—Provisions.
1.—Medical Comforts.
2.—Bedding and Clothing.
3.—Miscellaneous.

Tenders may be made for all four Scho-
dules, or for each separately.

The successful tenderer will be required
to enter into a Bond for the due fulfilment
of his Contract, and for the supply of all
articles of the best quality.

Tenders must be in duplicate, and in
sealed envelopes, endorsed "Tender for Hos-
pital Contracts." Forms of Tender
and all other information may be obtained
from the Superintendent of the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital.

J. GARDNER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, October 30, 1868. no. 30

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 118.

FENDERS for the supply of Provisions
and other Articles required for the use of Victoria Gaol, from the 21st Novem-
ber, 1868, to the 20th November, 1869, in-
clusive, will be received at this Office until
Noon of the 10th NOVEMBER, 1868.

All information required, and Blank
forms of Tender may be obtained on applica-
tion to the Superintendent of Victoria Gaol.

Tenders to be addressed to the Colonial
Secretary, and endorsed "Tender for Gaol
Contract, 1869."

By Command,
J. GARDNER AUSTIN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, September 18, 1868. no. 30

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will from this day trans-
act a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS
at this port under the firm of C. D. WILLIAMS & Co.

C. D. WILLIAMS.
Hongkong, November 3, 1868. no. 30

FOR SALE FROM SHIP'S SIDE,
930 Tons Hartlepool West Hartley best
large Steam COALS just received
Per *Taunton*.

Under certain conditional arrangements
could be made for conveyance of above
cargo to a port in China or Japan.

Apply to GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, November 3, 1868. no. 10

HUNDREDTH EDITION,
REVISED AND ENLARGED.

GUNN'S NEW FAMILY PHYSICIAN,
OR HOME-BOOK OF HEALTH.

Forming a complete Household Guide,
giving many valuable suggestions for
avoiding disease and prolonging life, with
plain directions in cases of emergency, and
pointing out in familiar language the
causes, symptoms, treatment and cure of
diseases incident to:

Men, Women and Children,
with the simplest and best remedies; pre-
senting a manual for

NURSING THE SICK,

and describing minutely the properties and
uses of hundreds of well known MEDICAL
PLANTS.

By J. C. GUNN, M.D.
Author of *Gunn's Domestic Medicine*.

With supplementary treatises on Anatomy,
Physiology and Hygiene or Domestic
and Sanitary Economy.

1868. 12mo. 12 vols.

On Physical Culture and Development.
(Newly Illustrated and Re-typewritten)

Published by

MOORE, WILSTACH & BALDWIN.

Sold to Subscribers only.—Price: \$10.

1000 copies.

London, November 3, 1868. no. 10

CONFOUCIUS
AND THE
CHINESE CLASSICS,
or
READINGS IN CHINESE
LITERATURE
Price: \$2.50.

WORKS can be had by applying to

"B" O/o the China Mail Office.

Hongkong, October 29, 1868. no. 20

FRENCH CONSULATE NOTICE.

WORKS to the accident to the building

in Elgin Street, formerly occupied by

the French Consulate, the Office of the

French Mission House, Staunton

Street.

Hongkong, October 20, 1868.

FOR SALE.

A MORNIE, RATTLER, and

PATHFINDER.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, October 29, 1868. no. 10

WANTED

UNNAGE to Amoy for 300 to 400 Tons

of Dead Weight.

ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary. dec'd

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY
OF CANTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that, under the

Provisions of Article 77 of the Arti-

cles of Association of the Society, an Extra-

ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be

held at the Offices of the Society, No. 12,

Praya, on Monday the Twenty-first day of

December next, at Three o'clock in the after-

noon, for the purpose of confirming all or

any Special Resolutions that may be passed

at the Meeting called for the purpose on the

Fifth day of December last.

Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct. A.D. 1868.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary. dec'd

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY
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NOTICE is hereby given that in con-

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New Advertisements.

CLUB LUSITANO THEATRE.

SECOND Performance by the Portuguese Amateurs, TO-MORROW, the 4th inst., on which occasion will be produced, for the last time, the Drama in four acts, by Biester, entitled the "DRAMA NO MAR."

Tickets can be obtained and seats reserved by applying at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s and at the office of the CLUB LUSITANO, also at the door of the Theatre on the night of the performance.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.
Boxes to hold six Persons, \$15.
Stalls, ... 2
Doors open at 8.30 p.m., performance to commence at 9 o'clock precisely.

A. F. ALVES,
Hongkong, November 3, 1868. nov 4

FOR SHANGHAI.—
The American Steamer "MARS,"
will have despatched for the
above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, November 3, 1868.

BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public
Auction, at their Rooms, on

THURSDAY,
5th November, 1868, at 11 o'clock a.m.,
by order of Capt. MILLER, S. S. West
Indian.

A quantity of SURPLUS STORES,
comprising:

Tin Basins, Dishes, Pannikins, Bowls,
Plates, Saucepans and other cooking
Utensils, Biscuit, Charcoal, Provisions;
Knives, Forks and Spoons, Gran, Hay,
Rope, Bags and Bagging, Tubs, Wines,
Brandy, Champagne,

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, November 3, 1868. nov 5

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction, on

THURSDAY,
the 5th November, 1868, at 12 o'clock,
at his Sales Room, "Commercial Bank
Buildings."

20 pieces white Flannel,
25 pieces Raven Duck.

10 boxes fancy Soap.

50 doz. Alma' Lights.

100 pieces Lawn.

4 barrels Pork.

100 cases each 4 doz. 1 lb. tins Sal-

mon.

2000 lbs. Snuff.

3 doz. hand and toilet Glasses.

A quantity of Sole Leather.

And,

A well selected assortment of Gentle-

men's Scarves, Ties, Collars, etc., etc.

(For account of whom it may concern.)

7000 Star Cartridges.

3000 Johnson & Davis' Star Cartri-

ddes for Sharp's Rifles.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in

Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, November 3, 1868. nov 5

VICTORIA REGATTA CLUB.

Committee:

The Hon. Mr. KESWICK, Chairman.

J. BICKETT, Jnr., Esq.

RICHARD F. HAWKE, Esq.

A. W. GLENNIE, Esq.

A. MCLOED, Esq., Hon. Secretary.

PROGRAMME of the 13th Annual Meet-

ing, 1868.

FIRST DAY,

Tuesday, 10th November, 1868.

First Race, 1 p.m.—For Boats pulled by

non-commissioned Officers and Men of

the Royal Regiment of Corps in Garrison.

Distance, one mile. Prizes: first Boat,

\$25; second, \$10. Time for Oars.

Entrance fee, \$1. Officers can officiate

as Coxwains if necessary.

Second Race, 1.30 p.m.—For Single Pair

Sculling Boats, Distance, one mile.

Prize: the GOLD CHALLENGE SPOON,

to be won two years in succession by a

the same member, and a Cup valued

\$25, presented by the Club. En-

trance fee, \$5.

Third Race, 2.30 p.m.—For Four-oared

Canton Cutters, Distance, one mile and-a-half.

Prize: the CHAIKMAN'S CUTTER,

Distance, one mile. Prizes: first Boat,

\$25; second, \$10. Time for Oars.

Entrance fee, \$1. Officers can officiate

as Coxwains if necessary.

Fourth Race, 3 p.m.—For Men-of-war

Cutter, Distance, one mile. Prizes:

first Boat, \$20; second, \$5. Time for Oars.

Entrance fee, \$1. Officers can officiate

as Coxwains if necessary.

Fifth Race, 4.30 p.m.—For Canoes, Dis-

tance from the shore to the Flag-ship, one

and one round. Prize: the BROOKES'

CUP, value \$50. Entrance fee, \$2.

Should six or more Canoes start, a 2nd

Prize (\$20) and 3rd Prize (\$10) will be

given to the 2nd and 3rd Canoes.

Seventh Race, 4.30 p.m.—For House

Boats pulled by Chinamen, the hand

side crew of the Boat entered. Dis-

tance, one mile. Prizes: first Boat,

\$15; second, \$5. Entrance fee, \$1.

Entrance fee to be made to the Honorary

Secretary before Noon on Saturday,

7th November.

HARBOUR YACHT RACE.—For all Yachts,

Schooners to sail as Cutters, deducting

one-third of their tonnage. Time al-

lowance fifteen seconds per ton. Prizes,

the Young-Pow Cup, presented by E.

A. H. HORNCOCK, Esq., and the CANTON

CUP, presented by the Canton Regatta

Club. First boat to have the choice

of Prizes, the remaining Prize to the

second boat. Entrances fee, \$5. Par-

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announced.

SAILING RACE FOR ALL OPEN Boats, Chi-

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\$25; second, \$10. Course to be spe-

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to inform the

Public of Hongkong that he has just

opened The HOTEL DES COLONIES, Res-

taurant, where he will personally super-

intend his own Cuisine. He is prepared to

take orders and deliver to any part of the

City at the shortest notice. He is also ready

to cater or take the management of Balls,

Parties, &c. Having been several Years

Cook of the New York Club, he feels con-

fident, by a strict attention to business, to

merit a share of public patronage.

N.B.—Baked Pork and Beans Thursday

and Sunday. Fish Chowder Tuesday and

Friday.

H. TRENT,
Caterer.

No. 198, Queen's Road West,

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Nov 17.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to announce that

the new Shapes in Gentlemen's COLLARS,

JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES;

&c., 1869.

He Undersigned begs to announce that

the first volume of the above work

will be published early in January 1869,

and he requests that the subscribers address

to the different residents be returned

as soon as possible and that all foreigners

who may be arrived in China will kindly

send their names for insertion without delay.

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.

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MORRIS'S DIRECTORY FOR CHINA

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NOV. 3, 1868.

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necessity of his "vindicating" the status of Macao is somewhat obscure. Does he imagine that any one would step forward to " vindicate" the tenure of Hongkong if often journalists criticised it? However brought about, we hold it by special concession from the Chinese, and no arguments can endanger it.

If, as he asserts, Great Britain acknowledges the "Sovereign rights" of Portugal, how comes it that when asked by the Chinese Government she declined to admit that she recognized anything but the actual tenure of Macao by force? We do not see the point of his remark as to our failing back on official recognition as a "dernier resort." From the first we have based our remarks upon the discrepancy between actual fact and official recognition. And he is still further out in his remark that China has ever since Governor Amaral's assassination given unequivocal proof of its admission of Portuguese Sovereignty. We of course interpret "the Chinese" to mean "the Chinese Government"; and if this inference be correct we may inform C. A. P. that until the negotiation of the Sino-Guineas Treaty, Macao was officially designated as Chinese territory and by the Peking Government. The refusal to ratify that Treaty arose from the fact that an article which bore two interpretations was sought by the Portuguese to be rendered by a translation which implied Portuguese Sovereignty; and this being communicated to the Chinese they declined to accede to it in its then form. The bad faith was on this occasion quite upon the Portuguese side.

Finally C. A. P. assumes that "the right of conquest is established." Then how does it happen that China does not acknowledge it? The right of conquest of Hongkong is established by formal treaty. That of Macao is not. For what reason did Senator Amaral proceed to Tientsin to ratify a treaty *dealing away* with the status of Macao as existing previous to 1862? Why seek to obtain the Chinese "consent" to an "established fact"? And still more, how came it that Ex-Governor Hora on oath declared that he "did not know" if Macao was held by Treaty— "did not know" if rent was still paid to the Chinese? And why did he state that Macao became a province of Portugal "about a year ago"? These facts (or fancies) tell somewhat against C. A. P.'s theory. The question resolves itself into very few words. Macao is held by force on the part of the Portuguese, but is not held by cession or Treaty agreement; nor do the Chinese admit that Portugal holds it, as they still claim a jurisdiction they are too careless to enforce. This is the whole case and no argument can alter it. We are therefore justified in stating that the right of conquest has not been established. By the rules of international law Macao is therefore "a portion of Chinese territory in the armed possession of Portugal."

LOCAL.

The steamer *Nes* arrived from Shanghai at 5 p.m., having made the passage in 72 hours. She reports strong N.E. breeze.

Lee Aox, the murderer of Turnkey Stimpson, was hanged in the Gaol Compound at 10.30 this morning. For the last two or three days, the unhappy man showed a disposition towards repentance, and he was engaged in devotional exercises with the priest who attended him up to the last moment. Not a word was said on the scaffold, but he expressed a hope to the priest attending him that "Mary, the mother of Jesus, would have mercy on him" and give him a quiet and comfortable death. The arrangements at the execution were perfect. Lee Aox shook hands with the head turnkeys before being pinioned, and pleaded to have plenty shamsa given him: a moderate quantity was supplied. It was all over with the culprit about three minutes after he was led out of Gaol.

We understand that a public flogging of criminals will take place to-morrow afternoon, opposite the Joss House, Hollywood Road.

We learn that two Mandarins of the neighbourhood of Whampoa have called upon Mr Shillito (with an interpreter); both had lost their buttons, and were exceedingly anxious that he should use all his influence in trying to get them replaced. They said they have put placards up in all the surrounding villages offering a reward of five dollars for the detection of each man concerned in the attack on Mr Shillito's house. As there were thirty men, that raises the premium to \$1500. However, there is not much chance of their having to pay the money. They say they would cheerfully give it and more too to get their buttons back. Mr Shillito has now moved up to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock's premises, as he does not think it would be safe to live longer in the old house.

The Chinese Embassy are not exempt from the ordinary fate of mortals. The American papers note that Mr Burlingame paid a visit to his pavilion, and exhibited his credentials to them. The papers supply other domestic particulars. The Celestial ambassadors were greatly bored, it is said, by delegations of curious citizens in Buffalo. But this was not all. In returning from an aquatic excursion, one of them (San-Tsien) fell through a hole in a wharf, narrowly escaping death; he was, when half-drowned, rescued by a sailor. The Celestials were greatly alarmed by the accident. Mr Goodliffe fined them \$200, or in default, to go to hard labor for six months, and ordered their boats to be broken up.

William Williams, an ex-inspector of police, was charged by Inspector Kirby with having been drunk at the Central Station yesterday, and trespassing on the Inspector's quarters. Plus \$1 or 3 days' hard labor.

Maria Flores, the Portuguese widow who lost a domesticated cock and appealed for redress against some of her neighbors for having stolen the same, was ordered to pay \$11 in alms today, as the cook produced was found to belong to another person altogether.

Another batch of shopkeepers were haul-

ed up by Inspector Daly, charged with using light weights in their shops. Tung Cheong, Wing Shing Tai, and Kung Loi were the names of the above, and they are all on Praya Capital. The balances of weights were short as much as 7 per cent. in some cases. The master of the first-named shop was fined \$50, that of the second \$60, and that of the third \$30; each having the option of three months' hard labor.

OUR Canton correspondent writes—It appears that the Chinese washerman who has managed to work himself into the favor of the *taipan*, who has so generously come forward and brought his powerful influence into play in the service of the *cooperative system*, has had 12 years' practical experience in a laundry at *Tsueo*. This seems to be the only circumstance which has suggested the "co-operation," but unfortunately for the promoters of the *cooperative system*, this same individual, San Chiu, has been washed in the writer of these lines for upwards of a year, and he (the writer) has failed to observe any greater "efficiency" attained in washing by San Chiu than what used to be the case during his predecessor's time, when San Chiu "bought off." Peccarily there can be no benefit to San Chiu himself, since the reduction of the rate to \$1.20 per 100 pieces cannot compensate for the extra labor and other addenda. Whilst on the other hand it must be confessed that a bad example is set to our domestics, who on the very same principle of "co-operation" will make us look "penny-wise, pound-foolish." Consequently one cannot help asking cut how the "cooperation" in the washing arrangements?

From the accumulation of pieces of granite near one of the mat-houses at Shamoon, it may be inferred that one of the leading German firms of that place, who are the present occupants of the mat-house, must have come to the resolution of building at Shamoon. If such actually is the case, it will add another proof of the fact of the gradual disappearance of Hawkow phobia, and the consequent steady progress of the "rich man" towards the retrieval of his lost position in the commercial world. If there does not exist a hatred against this place, surely thus has far arrived for encapitalists to build at Shamoon, which must prove more profitable to them than investments in the stocks of some of our local companies, whose circumscribed resources of revenue must be now patent to those who are endowed with that universally bestowed gift, common sense.

In justice to the advocates of gambling and in correction of the assertion of anti-gamblers as to the "suppression"

of the vice here, the following incident may be recorded. A party of five worthies presented themselves at a gambling table at Honan, and staked all the money they had with them. Unfortunately they suffered a defeat, but seeing the folly of their action they retook the stakes and refused to give up, and in order to make their escape sure they drew out swords from under their garments, whereupon the residents in the neighbourhood turned out en masse with every description of weapon in the hands who saw smoke chase after the "fallong". Four of the party were killed, that the stealing and extortion were likely to fail through, but he was inclined to go into the question of threats; he had received many complaints, wherein distinct threats had been made by the collector. His Worship then caused it to be publicly made known, through the interpreter Mr Ng Choy, that this payment on account of the district watchmen was purely voluntary, and that the natives could pay it or not just as they pleased. He added that the entire community was taxed quite sufficiently without any other payments apparently imposed by Government, which had no connection whatever with the Treasury. And again, he thought it was less necessary now than the comparatively efficient Police force now at the disposal of the Colony.—Mr Brereton remarked that he believed that there was still a goodly amount of "imposts" levied even by the members of the Police force themselves—His Worship said he did not doubt the fact.

Mr Brereton then called Ho Asik, one of the trustees of the District Watchmen's Fund, who gave the prisoners who collected the contribution a very good character; the Chinamen bore a very high character. Instructions had been given them to take the names of those who refused to pay the fee, but none had been given to them with any threats whatsoever. About \$150 a quarter were collected in his district. He had heard Mr Smith give directions to the Indian constable to go with the Chinese to collect or seize the money collected.—The constable reiterated this statement, and gave the name of one or two Chinese who were present at the time these instructions were given.

His Worship discharged the Chinese collectors with the caution; but Mr Deane pressed the charge against the constable. One of the most curious points of the case was, that an European constable appears to have been engaged in the collection of this tax previously to the Indian coming into office. This European was in the habit of receiving fifty cents a day for his trouble; but the Indian reduced him to one tiffin per day, which charge ultimately resolved itself into the form of hard cash; viz., 25 cents a day. These fees were deposited to be the Chinese collectors; and His Worship therefore sent Shih Ahmed to hard labor for three weeks.

The case points out a great lack of information on the part of the Chinese of the law of the Colony, and an inferior want of ventilation on the part of Government, who seldom go beyond the columns of the Chinese Government Gazette.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr Goodliffe sat at day. Three hawkers were charged by the first officer of the ship *Ombra* (M'Robbie) with having been drunk in the harbour, attempted to supply the crew of the said vessel with sampan. It appears that the 2d officer lowered a boat and chased the prisoners bum-boats, by means of which stratagem they were apprehended. Mr Goodliffe fined them \$200, or in default, to go to hard labor for six months, and ordered their boats to be broken up.

William Williams, an ex-inspector of police, was charged by Inspector Kirby with having been drunk at the Central Station yesterday, and trespassing on the Inspector's quarters. Plus \$1 or 3 days' hard labor.

Maria Flores, the Portuguese widow

who lost a domesticated cock and appealed for redress against some of her neighbors for having stolen the same, was ordered to pay \$11 in alms today, as the cook produced was found to belong to another person altogether.

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tribute to a greater popularity of the company with the general public.

It is talked about here that several hundred chests of opium on board the *Rever*, belonging to the Jews and Indian native merchants, were uninsured—a pleasant state of affairs to reflect upon for those concerned.

The arrival at Shantung of Le Foo-kye, the new *Fotai* of Kwang-yung,

on his way hither, has been officially an-

nounced.—Monday morning, Nov. 2.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A PLEA FOR ANTHEMS.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

SIR,—I think the Church-going community should be, and I believe is, very grateful to the Choir for their gratuitous services at the Cathedral.

The Anthem we had last Sunday morning

was very beautiful, and many with whom I

have come into contact since have expressed

their appreciation of it. I trust, we may

often have similar musical treats, as I am

sure they will add much to the enjoyment

and profit of our religious exercises. Since

"praise is costly," and it is right to dedic-

ate our best gifts to God's service, how

can we better prove our gratitude to Him

by striving to make each portion of His

worship as perfect and acceptable, as pos-

sible? Nothing tends more, in my humble

opinion, to raise and sanctify one's own

thoughts than the strains of really good

sacred music.

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Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
WITH immediate possession, the House and Offices, No. 4, Gough Street, lately occupied by Messrs A. WILKINSON & Co.
Apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

TO LET.
A CONVENIENTLY situated HOUSE in Chancery Lane. Rent moderate.
Apply to ARNOLD KARBERG & Co., Hongkong, October 5, 1868.

WANTED.
A TENANT for a term of years for the House No. 1 in Caine Road, now in course of erection. The House most conveniently situated and affording an excellent view of the harbour, will contain Drawing and Dining Rooms, Library, five Bed-Rooms with Bath Rooms attached, Stabling all necessary Room for servants, and will be completely fitted with Gas and Water.

A plan of the House may be seen and particulars obtained at the Office of ARNOLD KARBERG & Co., Hongkong, October 5, 1868.

TO LET.
THREE Houses on Pedder's Hill, each containing Four Rooms with out-houses attached. Water and Gas laid. For particulars, apply to H. PRESTON JEESE SETINA, At Messrs P. & A. C. CAMBELL & Co's Office, Queen's Road, Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

TO LET.
THE DIVIDEND declared for the half-year ended 30th June last, at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, is \$7.50 per paid-up Share of \$120, and \$1.50 per Share on which \$25 have been paid, is payable at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSLER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 18, 1868.

TO LET.

THE whole of the upper part of the house on Pedder's Wharf, at present occupied by the Undersigned. Possession on the 15th Proximo.
THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, August 26, 1868.

TO LET.

THREE Spacious GODDOWNS suitable for storing dry Goods; also a Fireproof GODOWN capable of containing 1,000 cwt. of Oil. Situated in the most central part of Queen's Road. Apply to J. F. ROSE, Secretary, Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

TWO-HOUSES TO BE LET.
RECENTLY put in thorough Repair, situated on the Rise of THE HILL, Westward, and an easy distance from the Queen's Road. Apply to M. K. BARRINGTON, 24, Wyndham Street.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.
THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

TO LET.
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs ELMAN & CO. & SANDERS.

For particulars, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET.

4 COMMODIOUS HOUSES, situated in Morrison Hill, commanding a thorough view of the Harbour, with Stables, &c. Apply to THOMAS WALLACE, East Point Godown, Hongkong, June 6, 1868.

NOTICE.

TO LET.
THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Amato Bros.
For particulars, apply to SMITH, ARCHER & Co., Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TO LET.

THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns. Possession to be had on the 1st March.
Apply to JOHN BURD & Co., Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO BE LET.

TWO New and Strong GODDOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.
Apply to GAVIN THOMPSON, at Gun, Livin Wright & Co., Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent \$28 per month.
Apply at the Victoria Foundry, Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

M. J. THOMSON begs to intimate that he is now publishing a Series of 40 Vols. of the English & American Gazette, published in England, of the United States of America, at prices as low as those charged by any home agency.

He will solicit the support of the reading Public, and assure those who may favor him with their orders, that the same shall be executed faithfully and promptly.

The latest copies of the best English and American Newspapers received by every mail steamer, also the latest copies of the Shanghai and Japan papers.

For subscription lists, with prices &c. Apply to J. B. MORRIS,

Care of Messrs Bowes & Co., Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

COALS.

THE Undersigned are prepared to Coal all Steamers on the most reasonable terms from a Cargo of English Steam Coals now ashore in this Harbour or from fresh Welsh and Australian Coals in Store, and include BOB. S. WALKER & Co., Hongkong, September 22, 1868.

Intimations.

C H U T - S I N G ,
SAIL MAKER,
Beddoe Lane,
No. 40, UPARTAIS.

English and American Canvas of the best

Brands constantly on Hand.

Hongkong, July 19, 1868.

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FOR SALE.

SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.

HOLDERS of Certificates of Shares in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company are requested to send them to the Agents of the Company, to be replaced by Receipts representing the amount of the old shares and the stock dividend added, pending the issue of New Share Certificates.

ROWLEY MILLER,
Secretary & Auditor.

Shanghai, 24th February, 1868.

FOR SALE.

FOK MOSA COAL DEPOT AT KILUNG

IT AS on hand a large Stock of COAL OF

the best quality, and is prepared to supply

Steamers and Sailing Vessels with quick

despatch at Current Rates, or deliver the

same under Contract, at Hongkong and any

Treaty Port in China.

The Depot drawing supplies from the

best Mines only, intends to provide a super-

ior article, free of the Surface Coal that

has hitherto prejudiced consumers.

MILSCH & Co., Agents.

Kilung, April 2, 1868.

NOTICE.

BENTS and Accounts COLLECTED with

punctuality and despatch.

RESTRAINT WARRANTS for Rent IS-

SUED and EXECUTED.

Security, if required.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,

53, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

TO LET.

FROM the 1st proxime that handsome
and eligible house in Mosque Terrace,
presently occupied by J. S. LAPRAIK, Esq.,
and formerly by Dr. KANE.

Apply to J. GERRARD.

Hongkong, September 21, 1868.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE BUOYS marking the Dangers in the
Harbour of Amoy have been painted

according to the Rule in use by the British
Admiralty and Trinity Board, vis.: to mark

the Starboard side of Channels entering by

Black or Red Buoy only. The Port side

of Channels entering by Black or Red
Buoy Chequered or vertically striped with

White, and Middle Grounds by horizontally

striped Buoy.

SELLER'S SPIT.—North end formerly

marked by a striped Buoy, is now marked by

a Red Buoy.

COKE ROCKS—formerly marked by

a vertically striped Red and White Buoy.

This Buoy has been placed about 20 fathoms to

the E. S. E. of the shoalest patch, in order

to guard Vessels against Ledges of Rock,

with 15 feet water, found to exist in that

direction, and it may be passed close to on

the Port hand when entering the Harbour.

The shoalest patch or pinnacles of the Coker

Rock, has a floating Beacon on it until

further notice.

NEW ROCK—In North port of Har-

bour, and Brown's Rock are marked by

horizontally striped Buoy.

In case any of these Buoys are lost, or

moved, the position will be soon as possi-

bly be marked by a Flag boat or floating

Beacon.

JAMES JONES,
Clark in Charge.

Office of Marine Customs, Amoy, August 13, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE STEAM TUG ISLAND QUEEN,

130 H. P. Nominal, will commence to

ply on the River Min and adjacent waters

in the spring, and will then be avail-

able to, and from, sea at usual rates.

For further information, apply to Messrs

E. H. HOW & CO., Foochow, or to the Un-

dersigned.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. J. THOMSON is prepared to take

M. PORTraits, VIEWS and other

PHOTOGRAPHS.—Rooms, Commercial

Bank Buildings, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Members of the late Hongkong Vo-

lunteer Corps are hereby requested to

return without delay to the Undersigned

the RIFLES they have been allowed to re-

tain pending sanction for their purchase,

the same not having been allowed.

H. COHEN.

Hongkong, March 13, 1868.

ICED DRINKS.

Hongkong, May 4, 1868.

NEWS AGENCY.

J. B. MORRIS, News Agent, Hong-

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orderly for Newsagents of the Eng-

lish, American, French, German, &

Scandinavian, &c. Weekly.

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Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

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All Steamers on the most reasonable

Post-Office Notifications.

T is hereby notified for general information that henceforward the Postage chargeable on Book and Packets of Patterns addressed to the United States of America transmitted via the United Kingdom will be as follows, viz:-

Via SOUTHAMPTON.	Under 4 ounces, 12 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces,	24 "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces,	36 "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces,	48 "
For every additional 4 oz., 12 "	
Via Marseilles.	
Under 4 ounces,	16 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces,	32 "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces,	48 "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces,	64 "
For every additional 4 oz., 16 "	

Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory in each case.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, June 13, 1868.

1.—On the 1st October next, and thenceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange Current for Each Mail, and charged with Commission according to the following Scale, viz:-

For sums not exceeding £2,	12
Above £2 and not exceeding £5,	24
" 25 " "	36
" 27 " "	48
" 27 " "	60

Interest at the rate of Twelve per centum per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors.

GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 2, 1868.

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gence occurs will, if he sees fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders

are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

DOCKS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the seventh call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st December next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHAGHAL BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

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INSURANCES.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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